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SUBJECT: IV KAMOVA

REF: SOFIA 1347; STATE 158764

1. HAVE RECEIVED FORMAL REPLY FROM COMMITTEE FOR ARTS AND CULTURE ACCEPTING WITH PLEASURE KIND INVITATION EXTENDED TO MRS. EVGENIA KAMOVA TO VISIT US. LETTER FURTHER STATES THAT KAMOVA CAN VISIT THE US FOR JUST TWO WEEKS, OCTOBER 10 THROUGH 24, AND ASKS IF THESE DATES ACCEPTABLE.
2. WITH REGARD TO PROGRAMMING, KAMOVA WANTS MEANINGFUL AND DETAILED DISCUSSIONS WITH RESPONSIBLE PEOPLE IN GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS ON CULTURAL EXCHANGES, PROBLEMS INVOLVED AND BEST WAY THESE CAN BE CARRIED OUT. THIS WOULD, OF COURSE, INCLUDE IREX AND SMITHSONIAN. SHE WANTS VERY MUCH TO VISIT CULTURAL CENTERS AND DISCUSS THEIR OPERATIONS WITH AUTHORITATIVE PERSONS (SHE MENTIONED KENNEDY AND LINCOLN CENTERS, DCM SUGGESTED ALSO ATLANTA). IS INTERESTED IN HAVING DISCUSSIONS WITH ONE FOLKLORE ESTABLISHMENT. IS ANXIOUS TO ATTEND EXPERIMENTAL THEATER PERFORMANCES, POLITICAL SKITS OR PLAYS AND, OF COURSE, AS MANY AS POSSIBLE OF THE GREAT AMERICAN ART GALLERIES.
3. WE HAVE URGED MRS. KAMOVA TO EXTEND PERIOD OF VISIT BUT WITHOUT MUCH SUCCESS BUT BELIEVE UP TO FOUR DAYS COULD BE ADDED TO BEGINNING OF VISIT. SHE CLAIMS URGENT MATTERS REQUIRE HER PRESENCE IN SOFIA END OF OCTOBER AND IN NOVEMBER AND THEREFORE NOT POSSIBLE FOR HER TO ATTEND

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CONFERENCE AS SUGGESTED. DESPITE LIMITED TIME OF VISIT

WE URGE DEPARTMENT TO ACCEPT SITUATION AND DEVELOP MEANINGFUL PROGRAM DEVOTED TO CULTURAL EXCHANGES AND RELATED SUBJECTS MINUS ANY TOURISTIC FEATURES.

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